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FOR CANCER

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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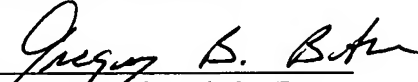
In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 10, 2007, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-4, 6, 18 and 19 for continued examination without traverse. These claims are drawn to an agent comprising a compound or its salt that inhibits the activity of a protein comprising the same or substantially the same amino acid sequence as the amino acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO:1, its partial peptide, or salt thereof; or inhibits the expression of a gene for the protein; more specifically an antisense polynucleotide. Applicants further select "breast cancer" as the selection of species. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more divisional applications.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

It is believed that no additional fee is required. However, if a fee is required you are hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. **04-1105**.

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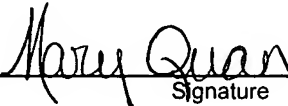
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